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February 18, 1963

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RE: DR. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT

Reference is made to [redacted]

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that Dr. Seymour Aubrey Papert is presently awaiting a quota number so that a visa may be issued for travel to the United States.

The source states that Papert will, on arrival, be a staff member at the Research Laboratory for Electronics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he will work on the retina of frogs.

The source stated Dr. Papert was born at Pretoria, South Africa, on March 1, 1928; [redacted] Dr. Papert is presently residing at 30 Hamilton Terrace, Northwest, 8, London, England.

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Any pertinent information regarding Papert's background and subversive activities will be appreciated.

2- London

Attention: Legal Attache, London:

Referenced [redacted] sets forth that subject has come to the attention of [redacted] under circumstances suggesting that he maintained Trotskyist sympathies. In view of subject's pending travel to the United States, check your sources for any pertinent information available. No prior information concerning the subject in Bureau files.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 2/7/63

FROM : SAC, BOSTON (62-4230)

SUBJECT: DR. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(SUBVERSIVE CONTROL)

Rebulet, 1/15/63.

There is enclosed for the Bureau five copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

The source is [redacted] and was contacted by SA WILLIAM J. MC GRATH on 1/28/63. b7D

Since subject has not arrived no further action will be taken at this time.

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2 - Bureau (encs. 5) (RM)
1 - Boston (62-4230)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Boston, Massachusetts
February 7, 1963

In Reply, Please Refer to
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DR. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT

On January 28, 1963, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Dr. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT is presently awaiting a quota number so that a visa may be issued for travel to the United States.

The source stated that PAPERT will, on arrival, be a Staff Member at the Research Laboratory for Electronics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he will work on the retina of frogs.

The source stated Dr. PAPERT was born at Pratoria, South Africa, on March 1, 1928, is married [redacted] Dr. PAPERT is presently residing at 30 Hamilton Terrace, N.W., 8, London, England. b6 b7C

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1 - Mr. Bland
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SAC, Boston

1/15/63

Director, FBI

DR. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(SUBVERSIVE CONTROL)

A source abroad has advised that the subject who was born 3/1/28 at Pretoria, South Africa, may be in the United States at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) as either a student or teacher.

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The source has advised that subject has come to notice in circumstances suggesting that he entertained Trotskyist sympathies.

You should discreetly determine if subject is at MIT and, if so, determine his present address and inquire of appropriate security informants to determine if he is engaged in subversive activities in your area.

NOTE ON YELLOW:

No prior record in Bureau files. The source abroad

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Subject Dr Seymoure Aubrey
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI DATE: 4/24/63

FROM : Legat, London [redacted] (RUC)

SUBJECT: DR. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT
SM - SWP

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Records Visa Section, American Embassy, London, reflect that subject has had an application for immigrant visa to the U. S. pending with the Visa Section since 1961 and according to the V isa Officer he could obtain his visa within a few weeks if he advises the Embassy that he has all necessary documents and is ready to leave for the U. S.

This office will be advised if and when he is issued a visa.

2 - Bureau
1 - Liaison Section (sent direct)
1 - London
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (62-103527) DATE: 9/25/63

FROM : Legat, Bern (100-672) (P)

SUBJECT: DR. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT
SM - SWP

Remylet 7/3/63.

[redacted] Consular Office, the Embassy, Bern, advised on 9/24/63 that she had received information that PAPERT had received a visa in Cypress and possibly had already gone to the U. S. She stated she is checking further in this matter and will inform this office of any results of the check. b6 b7C

[redacted] London letter 4/24/63 and London letter 5/28/63 are enclosed for the information of Legat, Rome. b7D

The Bureau will be informed of any further information received in this matter.

3 - Bureau
(1 - Liaison)
1 - London (100-3098)(info)(direct)
1 - Rome (Encl. 3)(info)(direct)
1 - Bern

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
MAY 1962 EDITION
GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27

5010-106-03

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (62-108527) DATE: 11/21/63

FROM : Legat, Bern (100-672) (RUC)

SUBJECT: DR. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT
SM - SWP

Remylet 9/25/63.

On 11/19/63 [redacted] b6 b7C the Embassy, Bern, furnished information which has been made the subject of an unclassified letterhead memorandum, six copies of which are enclosed.

3 - Bureau (Encl. 6) ENCLOSURE
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1 - London (100-3098)(Encl.)(info)(direct)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

November 21, 1963

DR. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT

Records of the Visa Section, American Embassy, Bern, Switzerland, contain the following information:

Biographic data furnished by Dr. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT on September 28, 1961, in Geneva, Switzerland, indicated that he was born March 1, 1928, at Pretoria, Transvaal, South Africa. He was a white South African with South African passport C 58695 issued December 23, 1953, at Capetown, South Africa, valid until December 23, 1963. In South Africa he had been a student and university lecturer at the University of Witwatersrand, Milner Park, Johannesburg, from 1949 to 1954. His father's name is JACK PAPERT and his mother's name is BETTY PAPERT, nee LEVIN; both are of South African nationality and their address is Box 5116, Johannesburg, South Africa. PAPERT's [redacted] b6 b7C and is of South African nationality. [redacted] address at the time was c/o Queen Elizabeth College, London. PAPERT listed his addresses in South Africa as follows: [redacted]

1939-1948 or 1949: 19 (?) Kerry Road, Parkview, Johannesburg, Transvaal

1949-June 1954: 23 Galway Road, Johannesburg, Transvaal

He listed membership or affiliation with organizations as "Numerous cultural and democratic University organizations including communist dominated Federation of Progressive Students for a brief period in 1946. Later actively supported but never joined various non-communist anti-segregationist movements."

Biographic data furnished by Dr. PAPERT on August 12, 1963, showed the following variations and additions to that furnished previously:

His present nationality is listed as British, formerly South African. He possessed British passport C 301494 issued January, 1963, by the British consul at Geneva, Switzerland. He had been employed as a professor at the University of Geneva from 1959 to the present. He now listed his [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] PAPERT first entered Switzerland in 1958 at Geneva by rail. He had lived at the following addresses:

[redacted]

November 1959-July 1960: 30 Route de Chêne, Geneva

September 1962 - June 1963: 18 rue des Délices, Geneva

June 1963 - present: 30 Jacques Martin, Chêne Bougerie, Geneva

PAPERT listed no organizations of which he was a member or affiliate in Switzerland.

Information from the American Embassy, Nicosia, Cyprus, indicated that a non-immigrant visa was issued to Dr. PAPERT at Nicosia on August 12, 1963. A security check was initiated after visa issuance, Dr. PAPERT having disclosed nothing at time of interview regarding membership or association with any questionable organizations.

[redacted] b6 b7C informed on October 10, 1963, that [redacted] had completed his journey to the United States and was back in Geneva.

It was noted that the visa issued to Dr. PAPERT was valid for one year from the date of issuance for an unlimited number of applications.

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
MAY 1962 EDITION
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (62-108527) DATE: 2/13/64

FROM : Legat, Bern (100-672) (RUC)

SUBJECT: DR. SEYMOUR AUBREY PAPERT
SM - SWP

Remylet 11/21/63.

Information received from the Consular Section of the Embassy, Bern, indicates that records of the American Consulate General in Zurich show that an immigrant visa was issued to Dr. PAPERT on 12/13/63 and that the non-immigrant visa (B-2) which was issued to him at Nicosia, Cypress, on 8/12/63 was cancelled at the time of the issuance of the immigrant visa.

Foregoing for information.

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To. SACS Boston (2-78) (Enclosure) 4/26/72
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From. Director, FBI (2-2037)

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NEUTRALITY MATTERS - HAITI

ReButel 4/20/72, captioned "Haitian Revolutionary Activities" and BStel 4/21/72 in captioned matter.

Attached for each office is copy of Department letter dated 4/20/72 requesting investigation in this matter under Title 18, USC, Section 960 (organizing an expedition). All offices comply with this request. Boston is being designated origin. In view of possible prosecution, Boston submit pertinent investigative results developed to date in report form. Offices conducting investigation in the future submit reports. However, all offices keep Bureau currently advised of pertinent developments by the most expedient means warranted.

Authority is granted for Boston to interview Professor Seymour Papert of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Advise him that investigation is being conducted at the specific request of Robert C. Mardian, Assistant Attorney General, Internal Security Division, Department of Justice. Be certain interview is conducted off the campus at a secure location and that Papert understands that the Bureau is not interested in legitimate campus activities.

1 - Foreign Liaison Desk (Route Through for Review)
1 - [redacted] (Haitian Revolutionary Activities) b7E
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Airtel to Boston, et al.
Re: [redacted] b6 b7C
2-2037

NOTE:

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Information was developed that the [redacted] met [redacted] through Professor Seymour Papert. Boston has requested authority to interview Papert. Bureau files indicate that he was born 3/1/28 in South Africa, was reported in 1961 as suspected communist, and in 1963 as entertaining Trotskyist sympathies. We conducted no investigation. b6 b7C